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1. JORDANIAN PRESS JAN 14 HEADLINED KING HUSSEIN INTERVIEW WITH BBC. MAIN POINTS: (1) THERE IS URGENT NEED TO RENEW PEACE INITIATIVES IN MIDDLE EAST IF NEW DISASTER TO BE AVOIDED. "LITTLE HAS HAPPENED SINCE THE FIRST FEW STEPS FOLLOWING THE OCTOBER WAR, AND THE AREA CANNOT RETURN TO A STATE OF NO PEACE, NO WAR." (2) US CAN PLAY ROLE OF RESTORING INITIATIVES, "BUT SHE MUST REALIZE THAT TIME IS PASSING VERY QUICKLY". (3) AT PRESENT TIME, THERE IS LITTLE JUSTIFICATION FOR OPTIMISM; UNLESS SOME IMPROVEMENT OCCURS, PREDOMINANT MOOD IN AREA WILL BE MUCH WORSE THAN IN PRE-1973.

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